



NEWS RELEASE

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Full Closure of Southbound Long Beach Freeway (I-710)

EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ to NORTH LONG BEACH – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close a portion of southbound Long Beach Freeway (I-710) for work on the Long Life Pavement Rehabilitation Project. The work involves construction on the shoulders and in the median for overhead signage foundations.

Saturday, May 17 and Sunday, May 18

- 1 a.m. to 6 a.m. – **Full closure** of southbound I-710 just after Alondra Boulevard to just before Artesia Boulevard.

Motorists traveling southbound on I-710, in the cities of Paramount, East Rancho Dominguez, Compton and North Long Beach, will be directed to exit at Alondra Boulevard (West) off-ramp.

To return to southbound I-710, motorists will follow detour signs to continue west on Alondra Boulevard; turn left (south) on Atlantic Avenue; turn right (west) on Artestia Boulevard to the southbound I-710 on-ramp.

The California Highway Patrol is providing additional speed limit enforcement in this highway construction work zone to increase the safety of motorists and highway workers.

Motorists are reminded to “Slow for the Cone Zone.” Signs have been posted along this corridor to remind the motoring public that traffic fines are doubled in highway construction work zones. The posted speed limit in this work zone is 55 miles per hour.

This \$164.5 million Long Life Pavement Rehabilitation Project involves nine miles of the Long Beach Freeway (I-710) stretching from Long Beach to South Gate in both northbound and southbound directions. The work includes pavement replacement, shoulder reconstruction, replacement of the metal median barrier guardrail with concrete barriers, widening of the under crossing at Atlantic Boulevard, a soundwall, and widening of the southbound I-710 at the Compton Creek Bridge. The project is expected to complete in mid-2012.

